

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-8 (canceled).

Claim 9. (currently amended): A method for controlling establishment of connections to mobile stations present in an area ~~affected by an event~~~~hit by a disaster~~, the method comprising:

transmitting a sequence in a message sent to the mobile stations in at least one cell of a mobile radio network present in the area; and

providing that a connection only be established from a mobile station in the area to a destination called by the mobile station if the mobile station requesting the connection establishment communicates the sequence.

Claim 10 (previously presented): The method for controlling establishment of connections to mobile stations as claimed in claim 9, wherein the sequence is transmitted as a cell broadcast short message.

Claim 11 (previously presented): The method for controlling establishment of connections of mobile stations as claimed in claim 9, wherein the sequence is transmitted as a circuit switched group call.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The method for controlling establishment of connections of mobile stations as claimed in claim 9, wherein the transmission of the sequence occurs via an SIM application toolkit of a mobile station, the SIM application toolkit prompting the mobile station to transmit data representing at least one of a telephone number of the mobile station and a terminal number of the mobile radio to one of the mobile radio network and a destination.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The method for controlling establishment of connections of mobile stations as claimed in claim 9, wherein a telephone number of a subscriber, which a mobile station may call during the disaster, consists of the sequence and at least one of at least part of a device number of the mobile station and a subscriber ID number of the mobile station..

Claim 14 (previously presented): The method for controlling establishment of connections of mobile stations as claimed in claim 9, further comprising scanning at least one of telephone numbers and mobile station device numbers of the mobile stations in the area to substantially ascertain which of the mobile stations are present in the area.

Claim 15 (currently amended): A switching device for controlling establishment of a connection to mobile stations present in an area hit by a disaster affected by an event, comprising:

a transmitting apparatus for transmitting a sequence in a message sent to the mobile stations in at least one cell of a mobile radio network present in the area; and

a receiving apparatus for receiving the sequence with a request for establishment of a connection to a destination from a mobile station in the area, wherein the connection requested from the mobile station will be established to the destination, only if the mobile station can specify the sequence and the destination is a destination provided for call establishment.

Claim 16 (currently amended): A mobile station for controlling establishment of a connection from an area hit by a disaster affected by an event, comprising:

a receiving apparatus for receiving, in the area of the event-disaster in which the mobile station is present, a sequence, wherein the sequence is received in a message sent to the mobile station in at least one cell of a mobile radio network present in the area; and

a transmitting apparatus for transmitting the sequence with a request for establishment of a connection to a destination to the mobile radio network, wherein a connection will be established to the destination, only if the mobile station can specify the sequence and the destination is a destination provided for call establishment. .